

TRANSPORT MA SIP Steering August 21, 2013

Transport

- Cross State Air Pollution Rule was vacated (Aug 21, 2012)
 - Clean Air Interstate Rule (CAIR) must be implemented while EPA works on a new rule
 - Court denies rehearing (Jan 24, 2013)
 - U.S. Solicitor General petitions Supreme Court (Mar 29, 2013)
 - Supreme Court grants petition to review the case (Jun 24, 2013)
- EPA is working on a new transport rule
 - Will cover ozone in the eastern U.S.
 - Plan to propose in summer 2014
 - EPA's rule will define each state's obligation on transport but each state will need to develop a SIP revision with a program to address transport
 - Unlike CSAPR and CAIR, EPA will not administer the program

Transport Stakeholder Outreach Process

- EPA held 2 meetings to seeking input from states on the next steps to address the transport of air pollution across state boundaries:
 - April 8, 2013, RTP, NC
 - April 17, 2013, Denver, CO
- Topics discussed at the meetings included:
 - Outline of steps for addressing transport
 - Format for defining upwind states' obligation (air quality or emission reduction targets)
 - Addressing proportionality (how to balance multiple state linkages)
 - Consideration of cost
 - Avoiding unnecessary “over-control”
 - EPA and states' roles and responsibilities
 - Key technical aspects (such as which years and emission inventories to use in modeling)
 - Later announced plan to use 2011 as the base year with 2018 projections